

## **MINUTES**

### **MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 60th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

#### **JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

Call to Order: By Chairman Edith Clark, on January 19, 2007 at  
8:00 A.M., in Room 102 Capitol.

#### **ROLL CALL**

##### **Members Present:**

Rep. Edith Clark, Chairman (R)  
Sen. Dan Weinberg, Vice Chairman (D)  
Sen. John Cobb (R)  
Rep. Joey Jayne (D)  
Sen. Greg Lind (D)

**Members Excused:** Rep. Penny Morgan (R)

**Members Absent:** None.

**Staff Present:** Robert V. Andersen, OBPP  
Marilyn Daumiller, Legislative Branch  
Peg Holwick, Committee Secretary  
Lois Steinbeck, Legislative Branch  
Pat Sullivan, OBPP  
Kris Wilkinson, Legislative Branch

**Audio Committees:** These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

##### **Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing: Business and Financial Services Division;  
Technology Services; Suicide Prevention  
Executive Action: Health Resources Division; DP 90004;  
DP 90007; DP 90008

00:02:32 Marilyn Daumiller, Legislative Fiscal Division  
[EXHIBIT\(jhh13a01\)](#)

**Business and Financial Services Division**  
**Department of Health and Human Services (DPHHS)**

00:03:04 Laurie Lamson, Administrator, Business and Financial  
Services Division, Department of Health and Human  
Services (DPHHS)

[EXHIBIT\(jhh13a02\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(jhh13a03\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(jhh13a04\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(jhh13a05\)](#)

**Questions from the Committee:**

00:13:54 Sen. Lind  
00:12:10 Sen. Weinberg  
00:14:28 Marilyn Daumiller  
00:15:12 Laurie Lamson  
00:19:39 Rep. Jayne  
00:21:09 Sen. Lind  
00:22:00 John Chappuis, Deputy Director, DPHHS  
00:22:17 Laurie Lamson  
00:24:43 Marilyn Daumiller  
00:24:52 Laurie Lamson  
00:25:43 Rep. Clark  
00:26:17 Laurie Lamson  
00:27:30 Sen. Weinberg  
00:29:00 Sen. Cobb  
00:30:53 Rep. Jayne  
00:32:40 John Chappuis

**Informational Testimony:** None.

00:35:07 Break  
00:45:29 Reconvene

**Technology Services Division**

00:45:45 Mary Angela Collins, Administrator, Technology Services  
Division, DPHHS

**Questions from the Committee:**

01:03:38 Sen. Weinberg  
01:06:30 John Chappuis

01:08:47 Sen. Weinberg  
01:09:43 Mary Collins  
01:13:14 Rep. Jayne  
01:13:25 John Chappuis  
01:16:10 Rep. Clark  
01:16:15 Sen. Lind  
01:17:29 John Chappuis  
01:19:11 Mary Collins

**Informational Testimony:** None.

**Executive Action - Health Resources Division**

01:20:05 Marilyn Daumiller  
**EXHIBIT**(jhh13a06) (get copy)

01:23:19 **Motion:** Sen. Cobb moved **TO ADOPT** statewide present law adjustments for personal services budget, (including Division 04, Director's Office, Division 06, Business and Financial, and Division 09, Technical), as proposed in the Governor's budget.

**Discussion:**

01:23:24 Rep. Jayne

01:23:45 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.  
Rep. Morgan voted by proxy.

01:24:00 Break  
01:31:28 Reconvene

**Suicide Prevention**

**Informational Testimony:**

01:31:35 Sen. Weinberg  
01:33:24 Tracy Velasquez, Executive Director, Montana Mental Health Association

**EXHIBIT**(jhh13a07)

01:35:36 Joanne Dawson, DPHHS  
01:41:14 Dr. Gary Mihelish, President, The National Alliance on Mental Illness of Montana (NAMI-MT)

**EXHIBIT**(jhh13a08)

01:47:00 Sen. Weinberg  
01:47:44 Theresa Cole, on behalf of self  
01:50:57 Sen. John Esp, SD 31, Big Timber

01:53:45 Dr. Mike Franklin, Director, Counseling Services,  
Carroll College  
01:59:14 Dr. Michael Butz, Clinical Psychologist, Billings  
02:03:08 Joan Nye, Esquire, board member, Montana Chapter of  
the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention  
02:16:01 Christie Evans, Voices of Hope Suicide Hotline  
02:19:14 Donald Harr, Psychiatrist, Billings; Montana  
Psychiatric Association  
02:24:38 Christen Best, Helena Suicide Prevention Coalition  
02:30:06 Curt Chisholm, on behalf of self  
02:34:17 John Wilkinson, on behalf of self  
02:37:15 Anita Roessmann, Montana Advocacy Program

**EXHIBIT(jhh13a09)**

02:39:42 Betta Lovett, on behalf of self  
02:41:11 Tracy Velasquez, Executive Director, Montana Mental  
Health Association

**Questions from the Committee:**

02:43:18 Sen. Lind  
02:44:18 Dr. Michael Butz  
02:46:26 Dr. Gary Mihelish  
02:49:37 Tracy Velasquez  
02:50:18 Rep. Jayne  
02:53:59 Tracy Velasquez  
02:54:36 Sen. Weinberg  
02:56:18 Rep. Clark

**Executive Action - Technical Services**

02:58:09 **Motion:** Sen. Cobb moved that DP 90004 as one time only  
and restricted funding **BE ADOPTED.**

**Discussion:**

02:58:57 Marilyn Daumiller  
02:59:17 Sen. Lind

03:00:41 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep.  
Morgan voted by proxy.

03:01:00 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Cobb moved that DP 90007 **BE ADOPTED.**  
Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.  
Rep. Morgan voted by proxy.

03:01:50 **Motion:** Sen. Cobb moved that DP 90008 as one time only,  
restricted, and biannual funding **BE ADOPTED.**

**Discussion:**

03:02:08 John Chappuis

03:02:13 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.  
Rep. Morgan voted by proxy.

03:02:54 Jeff Sturm, Director, Developmental Disabilities  
Services, DPHHS

**EXHIBIT(jhh13a10)**

03:13:25 Joe Matthews, DPHHS

03:14:00 Rep. Clark

**ADJOURNMENT**

03:16:09 Adjournment.

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REP. EDITH CLARK, Chairman

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PEG HOLWICK, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

**[EXHIBIT\(jhh13a11\)](#)**

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